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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:
F.X. IGNATIUS et al.

APPLICATION NO.: 09/171,740

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Hon. Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

This is in reply to the Office Action mailed January 13, 2000, the period for response thereto having been extended one month to expire on March 13, 2000, pursuant to the Petition for Extension of Time, enclosed herewith.

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the Office Action mailed January 13, 2000, (hereinafter "instant Office Action") and withdrawal of the restriction requirement of claims 1-37 and 40-67, are respectfully requested.

In the instant Office Action, claims 1-37 and 40-67 are listed as pending and claims 1-37 and 40-47 are listed as subject to a restriction requirement.

The Examiner has issued a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 and §372. The Examiner alleges that "[t]his

EXAMINER: T.D. WARE
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